

What is claimed is:

1. A device for selecting a network-connected image forming apparatus comprising:

5 a controller for selecting an image forming apparatus connected with a network and registering a job in the selected image forming apparatus, wherein said controller selects an image forming apparatus storing a specific mode job when the job is a specific mode.

10 2. A device according to claim 1, wherein said specific mode job is a job requiring temporary stop of a image forming.

15 3. A device according to claim 2, wherein said specific mode job is a job possessing a manual paper supply mode.

20 4. A device according to claim 2, wherein said specific mode job is a job possessing a mode requiring exchange of a paper.

5. A device according to claim 2, further comprising:

notice means for notifying to set a paper using the job to the selected image forming apparatus.

6. A device according to claim 1, wherein said controller selects an image forming apparatus not storing a specific mode job when the job is not a specific mode.

5 7. A device according to claim 1, wherein said controller selects an image forming apparatus not storing a job when an image forming apparatus storing a specific mode job cannot be referenced.

8. A device according to claim 7, wherein said controller selects an image forming apparatus having the greatest remaining memory when an image forming apparatus storing no job cannot be referenced.

9. A device according to claim 1, wherein said controller receives information from an image forming apparatus regarding the size of paper attached to the image forming apparatus and selects an image forming apparatus storing a specific mode job and registers a job in the selected image forming apparatus when no image forming apparatus has a paper suitable for the job.

10. A device according to claim 9, further comprising:

notice means for notifying to set a paper using the job to the selected image forming apparatus.

11. An image forming apparatus connected with network comprising:

5 a memory for storing jobs;  
discriminate means for discriminating whether the memory stores a specific mode job or not;  
report means for replying a state of the memory.

12. An apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said specific mode job is a job requiring temporary stop of a image forming.

13. An apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said specific mode job is a job possessing a manual paper supply mode.

15 14. An apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said specific mode job is a job possessing a mode requiring exchange of a paper.

15. An apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising;

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image forming means for forming images on  
recording medium in order of the sequence of jobs stored in  
said memory.

16. A network system comprising:

5 a network for transmitting a data;

a plural image forming apparatus connected with  
said network and having a memory for storing jobs,  
discriminate means for discriminating whether the memory  
stores a specific mode job or not and report means for  
replying a state of the memory;

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5 a control device for selecting one of said image  
forming apparatuses connected with a network and  
registering a job in the selected image forming apparatus,  
wherein said control device selects a predetermined image  
forming apparatus when the job is a specific mode.

17. A network system according to claim 16, wherein  
said predetermined image forming apparatus stores a  
specific mode job.

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